

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation 1416 Ninth Street P.O. Box 942896 Sacramento, CA 94296-0001

PROJECT TITLE: Springs Trail Prescribed Burn

LOCATION: Henry W. Coe State Park, Springs Trail and Manzanita Point Road

COUNTY: Santa Clara

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:

Conduct a prescribed burn on approximately fifty acres between the Springs Trail and Manzanita Point Road on Pine Ridge, .7 mile from Coe Ranch Headquarters at Henry W. Coe State Park to encourage the re-establishment of native bunch grasses and to manage invasive thistle species such as Italian thistle (Carduus pycnocephalus), yellow star thistle (Centaurea solstitialis), and tocolote (Centuria melitensis). Project will use existing trails and roads as fire lines, will not extend beyond the park boundary, and will be conducted when winds are from the west to avoid smoke impacts. Burn will be conducted in accordance with the Henry Coe State Park Prescribed Fire Management Plan.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT: California Department of Parks and Recreation

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Monterey District

EXEMPT STATUS:

Categorical Exemption

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: Project consists of minor alterations in the condition of the land, water and vegetation that do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees and is included as "prescribed burns to restore native vegetation, reduce fuel loads, and control invasive, exotic, or alien species" in the Department of Parks and Recreation's list of exempt activities in accordance with CCR §15300.4.

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